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# APPLICANTS' RESPONSE TO PTO'S NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Box Missing Parts Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

- 1. This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed August 20, 2001.
  - A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application is attached.

#### **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

2. An executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is hereby attached (5 pages). A late filing fee surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) of \$65.00 is due.

## FEE AND CALCULATION FOR CLAIMS

3. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

For	Numb File		Number Extra	Rate Large Entity	Fee Large Entity	
Basic Fee					\$	355.00
Total Claims	42 -	20	22	x 9 =	\$	198.00
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				TOTAL	\$	673.00

#### **DRAWINGS**

4. In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84, enclosed please find substitution of drawing sheets. Attached are thirteen (13) formal drawing sheets with the required margins.

#### **PAYMENT OF FEES**

5. Enclosed is check in the amount of \$738.00. This amount includes the basic filing fee of \$355.00; \$198.00 for 22 total claims over 20; \$120.00 for 3 independent claims over 3; and surcharge for a late filing fee and declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) of \$65.00. A photocopy of this request is enclosed.

However, if the amount indicated above is insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 23-2426 (21183-P001P1). A photocopy of this request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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# NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

 The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

• Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$318.

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\$198 for 22 total claims over 20.

\$120 for 3 independent claims over 3. The oath or declaration is missing.

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A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 738.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
  - drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and

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A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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